

GENERAL, ADMINISTRATIVE, AND MISCELLANEOUS1-75. Grants and Cooperative Agreements for Studies, Investigations, and Surveys Related to Environmental Education and Public Affairs

1. **AUTHORITY.** To approve multimedia grants and cooperative agreements to public and private agencies, organizations, and institutions; to colleges, universities, and other institutions of higher education; and to private persons and individuals, where the above entities are authorized under the Acts and Sections listed below, for special studies, investigations, and surveys for the purpose of environmental education, to include the National Network for Environmental Management Studies, and for public affairs as collectively authorized under the following Acts and Sections:
 - a. Clean Water Act, Section 104;
 - b. Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, Section 20;
 - c. Clean Air Act, Section 103;
 - d. Solid Waste Disposal Act, Section 8001;
 - e. Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act, Section 203;
 - f. Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation Liability Act, Section 311;
 - g. Safe Drinking Water Act, Section 1442; and
 - h. Toxic Substances Control Act, Section 10.
2. **TO WHOM DELEGATED.** Associate deputy regional administrator, Office of the Regional Administrator.
3. **LIMITATIONS.**
 - a. This authority is limited to multi-statute grants and cooperative agreements. Single-statute grants and cooperative agreements are not authorized under this delegation, but may be available to these and other delegates in other statute-specified delegations.
 - b. In approving grants and cooperative agreements, the delegates and their redelegates shall consult with the relevant headquarters or regional media office as appropriate to assure the quality of technical and program information.
 - c. The authority to approve grants to the NNEMS is limited to the associate administrator for External Affairs and Environmental Education and his/her redelegates.
 - d. Proposed grants and cooperative agreements involving profit-making organizations require the concurrence of the general counsel, or his/her designee.

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Related to Environmental Education and Public Affairs**4. REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.**

- a. These authorities may be redelegated to the branch chief level, or equivalent, and may not be redelegated further.
- b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.

5. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.

- a. 40 C.F.R. Chapter 1, Subchapter B, which provides EPA's regulations on Grants and Other Federal Assistance, including 40 C.F.R. Part 33.
- b. 2 C.F.R. Part 200, OMB Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards; and 2 C.F.R. Part 1500, EPA's adoption and supplementation of the OMB uniform award requirements.
- c. Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act of 1977, P.L. No. 95-224, as amended, 31 U.S.C. §6301 et seq.
- d. EPA Order series 5700, which provides EPA policies regarding assistance agreements.
- e. Delegation 1-14-A, Assistance Agreements, which delegates to the officials in the Mission Support Division the authority to take all necessary actions to award, obligate and de-obligate funds for, and administer fellowship, grant, cooperative and loan agreements, and to make any final determinations required by law or regulations, with eligible recipients.



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